

APCD Daily TAG Call – Meeting Highlights (February 14th – 18th)

Monday, February 14th - TAG call highlights

1. The Division welcomed everyone to the TAG call.
2. The Division addressed payer specific technical questions.
3. With no questions to address, the Division concluded the meeting at 2:30 pm.

Tuesday, February 15th - TAG call highlights

1. The Division welcomed everyone to the TAG call.
2. The Division addressed payer specific technical questions.
3. With no other questions to address, the Division concluded the meeting at 2:30 pm.

Wednesday, February 16th - TAG call highlights

4. The Division welcomed everyone to the TAG call.
5. The Division addressed payer specific technical questions.
6. With no other questions to address, the Division concluded the meeting at 2:30 pm.

Thursday, February 17th - TAG call highlights

7. The Division welcomed everyone to the TAG call.
8. The Division continues to develop materials and resources to support payers in preparation for the initial data submission by February 28th.
 - The Division plans to provide payers with updated resources such as the Summary of Filing Requirements, Variance Request Process Memo, TAG Call Meeting Highlights, and FAQ's soon.
 - The materials will be distributed to payers on the email list, posted on the APCD website (www.mass.gov/dhcfp/apcd), and can also be directly requested by email or phone.
9. The Division addressed payer specific technical questions.
10. With no other questions to address, the Division concluded the meeting at 2:35 pm.

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Friday, February 18th - TAG call highlights

1. Introductions and Logistic Updates - Young J. welcomed everyone to the TAG call and informed payers that meeting highlights from Wednesday, February 8th and Thursday February 9th have not yet been distributed but the Division has posted meeting highlights dating back to January 7, 2011 on the APCD website (www.mass.gov/dhcfp/apcd - click on USER RESOURCES). The Division will include the notes from this February 14th – 18th shortly.
 - [APCD FAQ Package](#) – (Zip Package - Updated Feb 2011)
 1. APCD FAQs for February 2011 to May 2011 Submissions
 2. APCD FAQs – December 2010
 3. APCD Filing Requirements Summary – Feb 2011.xls
 4. Claim Voids and Replacements – Versioning Protocol V3v2
 5. MemberFile Example – revised
 6. ProviderFile Examples
 - [Overview of Variance Request Process Memo](#) (Zip Package)
 1. Updated Memo to Payers - APCD Variance Review Process 02.09.11
 2. Memo to Payers - APCD Variance Review Update 11.10.10
 - APCD TAG Call Meeting Highlights – weekly notes (www.mass.gov/dhcfp/apcd - Click on USER RESOURCES)

All-Payer Claims Database User Submission Guides

User Submission Guides	Format	
Medical Claims File Submission Guide	PDF	Word
Pharmacy Claims File Submission Guide	PDF	Word
Dental Claims File Submission Guide	PDF	Word
Member Eligibility File Submission Guide	PDF	Word
Product File Submission Guide	PDF	Word
Provider File Submission Guide	PDF	Word
APCD Submission FAQ	Zip File	
Overview of the Variance Request Process	Zip File	

Health Care Payers Claims Data Submission (January 26, 2011)

Join us for an all-payer claims database (APCD) Forum, Monday, December 13th at 9:30 am

Administrative Bulletin: Health Care Claims Data Submission

Recap of October 29th APCD Employer Forum

[More...](#)

Technical Assistance Group (TAG) Conference Call Information

Beginning February 1, 2011, the Division invites health care payers to participate in daily Technical Assistance Group (TAG) conference calls from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EST. The Division has allotted the 1-hour time to support payers with technical reporting issues but may end the call at 2:30 p.m. if no additional questions are available.

- Conference Line: 888-710-9336
- Pass Code: 3306530

To submit technical questions or for further assistance, please email: dhcfp.apcd@state.ma.us

APCD Daily TAG Calls Meeting Highlights

- [Jan 7th - 14th \(PDF\)](#) | [Word](#)
- [Jan 17th - 21st \(PDF\)](#) | [Word](#)
- [Jan 24th - 28th \(PDF\)](#) | [Word](#)
- [Jan 31st - Feb 4th \(PDF\)](#) | [Word](#)
- [Feb 7th - 11th \(PDF\)](#) | [Word](#)
- [Feb 14th - 18th \(PDF\)](#) | [Word](#) (available shortly)

2. Submission of Production Files before February 28th – The Division informed payers that the production system is ready to allow for file submissions in advance of the February 28th deadline. Payers can continue to submit test files but must have the TEST

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INDICATOR FLAG set. All files that are not indicated with the TEST INDICATOR FLAG after 2pm, Friday February 18th will be considered PRODUCTION FILE submissions.

3. Variance request thresholds and carrier defined lookup tables – The Division informed payers that variance request have been loaded and proposed threshold levels will appear on edit reports to allow for a comparison against the standard threshold. Please note, however, that until variance requests applications have been finalized and certified, the threshold levels are not considered production thresholds and payers should not assume that the proposed thresholds will be approved. Therefore, payers are strongly encouraged to use these enhanced reports to update the variance request application accordingly.

The Division also informed payers that carrier-defined lookup tables have been loaded.

The following table outlines the submission requirement by February 28th:

APCD Filing	Required Reporting
Dental Claims (DC)	1 file - Paid claims for November 2010 1 file - Paid claims for December 2010 1 file - Paid claims for January 2011
Medical Claims (MC)	1 file - Paid claims for November 2010 1 file - Paid claims for December 2010 1 file - Paid claims for January 2011
Member Eligibility (ME)	1 file - Member Eligibility for November 2010 (Member Eligibility file includes December 2008 – November 2010) 1 file - Member Eligibility for December 2010 (Member Eligibility file includes January 2009 – December 2010) 1 file - Member Eligibility for January 2011 (Member Eligibility file includes February 2009 – January 2011) *Each file must have members eligible and having one day of Massachusetts residence for their respective month or any time in the prior 23 months respectively.
Pharmacy Claims (PC)	1 file - Paid claims for November 2010 1 file - Paid claims for December 2010 1 file - Paid claims for January 2011
Product File (PR)	1 file – Product file (Quarterly Submission) (January 2011 Product (PR) file includes October 2010 – December 2010) *Each file includes all products referenced in the prior quarter. Note that some products in this file may reference new products for the current or future time periods.
Provider File (PV)	1 file – Includes all providers referenced in the Claims files for

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	November 2010, December 2010, and January 2011 as well as any currently contracted Massachusetts providers regardless of claims.
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